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TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 2nd, 1881.

Dewdney, Indian Commissioner North West Territories, succeeds Laird as Lieut Governor. Dewdney will continue Indian Commissioner.

Ottawa despatch says a question is now pending before the Privy Council as to the proper interpretation of the Pacific Railway contract. The Syndicate claims certain lands which were appropriated for the Manitoba South-Western, under provisions of clause giving them alternate sections along branch lines.

Guitteau, assassin of Garfield, was fired at while being driven from the criminal court to the district gaol.

The court has declared the Orange society illegal under Quebec laws.

Hudson's Bay Co. shares have risen more than one third since January. Directors expect to make return on capital.

Real estate continues to rise in value in Winnipeg. Main street property has sold for eight hundred dollars per foot, frontage.

Regular trains now run between Winnipeg and Brandon. Syndicate expect to build three hundred miles of the main line next season.

Col. Irvine and Capt. Cotton, of the Mounted Police, are in Ottawa.

Considerable numbers of Scandinavian and Hungarian immigrants have arrived at Ottawa. They intend coming to the North-West next spring.

A Dublin correspondent says outrages are breaking out again. Prospects are rather discouraging. Miss Gafford, holder of two small farms, was found dead in bed at Westford. Indications of murder.

The Toronto Mail says Dewdney is appointed Lieut.-Governor provisionally, at two thousand dollars additional salary as Indian Commissioner.

Prospectus of Pacific Railway land bonds has been issued. Bonds are to run fifty years. Interest five per cent, payable half yearly. Principal and interest payable in gold coin with weight defined. No backward movement can injuriously affect the value of the bonds, as the net proceeds of the sale of the lands and four per cent. interest allowed by the Government on the same while on deposit, are controlled by the trustees, and held as security for prompt payment of half-yearly interest. The Company will take the bonds at ten per cent. premium, and accrued interest, in payment for lands, thus preventing the possibility of a decline in their market value. The Government will take these bonds from insurance companies as security.

BATTLEFORD, Dec. 2nd, 1881.

J. L. Reid, D.L.S., is here, en route for Victoria, by Government orders, to examine into and report on the extent and value of certain important discoveries recently made in that vicinity.

Col. Richardson and Superintendent Hiercher left to-day for the west.

Last Edmonton mail only got here on the 19th ult., and did not reach Carlton until the 25th. We do not know the cause of this delay.

The C.P.R. survey party which was to have wintered here has been recalled, and left to-day for the end of the track.

Target match between police and citizens on Monday next. Much interest is felt in the result.

Dr. Miller and W. J. Scott arrived home on the 29th ult.

Freight still dropping in and more to come. Weather delightful; thermometer five above zero; very little snow.

HUMBOLDT, 1st Dec., 1881.

Mail was delayed seven days between here and Duck Lake on account of played out horses.

A train of carts passed here to-day for Prince Albert, loaded with bacon.

Mrs. Weldon has been sick for some days, and is now confined to her bed.

Weather is fine. It is 18 above to-day.

We had about half an inch of snow last night.

FT. PELLY, 1st Dec., 1881.

Sunday was a very stormy day here. Good sleighing now. Thermometer keeps about zero. The days for pounding dogs in harness has come once more.

Not an Indian to be seen now days, as they are all out to their hunting grounds.

The county of Duck Mountain, in the Province of Manitoba, is without a representative in the Local House. A chance for some political aspirant.

Survey party at work subdividing south of Pelly about a day's drive.

Mr. Robert Johnston, formerly assistant at the agency farm south of here, on the Assiniboine, has left for Moose Mountain, to take charge of a farm at that place.

All hands were awakened the other night by the report of firearms. The intruder was a husky train dog gnawing his way through the side of our house. He will gnaw no more. He has made a gnawing for other dogs.

LOCAL.

EDMONTON mail leaves Winnipeg to-day.

S. LUCAS and family left Battleford twelve days ago, coming west.

Mail for Edmonton left Battleford to-day. Mail from west had not arrived.

REV. JOHN McDUGALL got back from his missionary trip to White Fish Lake and Victoria on Wednesday last.

REV. CANON NEWTON announced last Sunday that Mr. W. Lenney had been appointed "Sidesman" (or Synodeman) for All Saint's church.

REV. JOHN McDUGALL will preach in Cree in the Methodist church at half-past ten in the morning, and in English at seven in the evening on Sunday.

REV. CANON NEWTON will deliver the last lecture of the series, on "Brahminism," at All Saint's church on Sunday evening. All are cordially invited to attend.

The telegraph line between Pelly and Winnipeg, which has been down since the 23rd of April last, went up at 3:35 p.m. on Wednesday. Messages can now be sent through to Winnipeg. Last year it started working on the 20th of November.

PUBLIC meeting at D. Ross', Tuesday evening next, to consider what steps should be taken to induce a competent physician to take up his residence here. Also to take measures to secure a teacher for the public school. Commence at 7:30.

The Postoffice Department has at length condescended to notice the petitions from Edmonton and Bow River asking for mail communication between the two districts, and has sent to the postmaster here asking for definite information on the subject.

MR. R. BOURNE, who has conducted service in the Methodist church here for some time past, preached his farewell sermon on Sunday evening last. On Wednesday evening he held a farewell prayer meeting in the Fort, after which he was entertained at a farewell banquet by some friends, at which the usual complimentary addresses were made. He left for Winnipeg on Friday.

For some time past a private survey of the claims immediately adjoining the H.B.Co. property on the east has been going on. The claims were laid out running three miles back. The total cost of the survey was \$220, and the amount of land was 1,000 acres. The land was divided as follows: Methodist Mission, 300 acres; D. M. McDougall, 160; C. Fraser, 250; J. Sinclair, 170; D. McLeod, 240; J. Rowland, 160; W. Rowland, 160; K. Macdonald, 160. The plan of the survey is to be sent to Ottawa with a request that the Government recognize it. In the meantime the boundaries of the claims will remain as they were.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Weather report for week ending Thursday evening, 1st December, 1881. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Geo. Black Wood, observer at Edmonton.

	Max.	Min.
Friday,	45	34
Saturday,	51	37
Sunday,	38	22
Monday,	32	14
Tuesday,	39	21
Wednesday,	31	18
Thursday,	32	12

Mild days Friday, Saturday and Sunday melted most of the snow, excepting northern aspects. Nearly half an inch of snow fell Tuesday morning, but mostly melted during the day. Highest wind occurred Wednesday noon, recording six miles per hour. Weather for the most part fair to clear and breezy. Prevailing winds west to south-west.

FT. SASKATCHEWAN.

No threshing done on southside of the river yet. Some good flail swingers could find a job.

W. G. Ross turned back from the Blackfoot Hills. Three of his horses had hoof rot. The bad roads are keeping back all kinds of farm work.

Flour is scarce and commands fancy prices, as does all kinds of grain.

THE CENSUS.

As the census taker will be around some time this winter, the following information, on authority of the Government, will not be out of place:

"A census is taken for the purpose of ascertaining as exactly as possible the population and resources of a country, and thereby furnishing a sufficiently correct idea of its strength and capability.

"A census is not taken for the purpose of of taxation as unfortunately many persons imagine. None of the information contained in it could be turned to account.

"The results it exhibits, like those of our statistical enquiries, are directly connected with the science of government which presupposes a general knowledge of the wants and capabilities, the defects and advantages numerically presented of the population and the country.

"It follows that it is the duty of every person in the Dominion, as well as his interest, to assist in obtaining a true and honest statement of facts as they are.

"Many persons imagine the census schedules may be used as a sort of advertisement for them, or as a reflection upon them. The fact is that these schedules are never seen except by the commissioners and others engaged in taking and compiling the census who, besides that they are sworn officers, bound not to divulge any individual information care very little for, and have no interest in, the individual statements contained in them."

The Pigeon Lake mission school has an average attendance of nearly thirty.

MR. R. LOGAN has the contract for supplying the Indian Department with 15,000 whitefish. His was the only tender.

The following fishery regulations are promulgated for Manitoba:—Close season for whitefish between October 26th and November 1st; speckled trout between October 1st and January 1st.

THE OZAR is all right yet.

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LAND REGULATIONS.

1. The regulations of the 14th October, 1879, were rescinded by order of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the 29th day of May instant, and the following regulations for the disposal of agricultural lands substituted therefor:

2. The even-numbered sections within the Canadian Pacific Railway belt—that is to say, lying within twenty-four miles on each side of the line of the said railway, excepting those which may be required for wood-lots in connection with settlers on prairie lands within the said belt, or which may be otherwise specially dealt with by the Governor in Council—shall be held exclusively for homesteads and pre-emptions. The odd-numbered sections within the said belt are Canadian Pacific Railway lands, and can only be acquired from the Company.

3. The pre-emptions entered within the said belt of twenty-four miles on each side of the Canadian Pacific Railway, up to and including the 31st December next, shall be disposed of at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per acre; four-tenths of the purchase money, with interest on the latter at rate of six per cent. per annum, to be paid at the end of three years from the date of entry, the remainder to be paid in six equal instalments annually from and after the said date, with interest at the rate above mentioned on such portions of the purchase money as may from time to time remain unpaid, to be paid with each instalment.

4. From and after the 31st day of December next the price shall remain the same—that is two dollars and fifty cents an acre—for pre-emptions within said belt, or within the corresponding belt of any branch of the said railway, but shall be paid in one sum at the end of three years, or at such earlier period as the claimant may have acquired a title to his homestead quarter section.

5. Dominion lands, the property of the Government, within twenty-four miles of any projected line of railway recognized by the Minister of Railways, and of which he has given notice in the Official Gazette as being a projected line of railway, shall be dealt with as to price and terms as follows. The pre-emptions shall be sold at the same price and on the same terms as fixed in the next preceding paragraph, and the odd-numbered sections shall be sold at two dollars and fifty cents per acre, payable in cash.

6. In all townships open for sale and settlement within Manitoba and the North-West Territories, outside of the said Canadian Pacific Railway belt, the even-numbered sections, except in the cases provided for in clause two of these Regulations, shall be held exclusively for homesteads and pre-emption, and the odd-numbered sections for sale as public lands.

7. The lands described as public lands shall be sold at the uniform price of two dollars per acre cash, excepting in cases where the Minister of the Interior, under the provisions of section four of the amendment to the Dominion Lands Act passed at the last session of Parliament may deem it expedient to withdraw certain farming lands from ordinary sale and settlement and put them up for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, in which event such lands shall be put up at an upset price of two dollars per acre.

8. Pre-emptions outside of the Canadian Pacific Railway belt shall be sold at the uniform price of two dollars per acre, to be paid in one sum at the end of three years from the date of entry, or at such earlier period as the claimant may acquire a title to his homestead quarter section.

9. Exception shall be made to the provisions of clause seven in so far as relates to lands in the Province of Manitoba or the North-West Territories lying to the north of the belt containing the Pacific Railway lands, wherein a person being an actual settler on an odd-numbered section shall have the privilege of purchasing to the extent of three hundred and twenty acres of such section, but no more, at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, cash; but no patent shall issue for such land until after three years of actual residence upon the same.

10. The price and terms of payment of odd-numbered sections and pre-emptions above set forth shall not apply to persons who have settled in any one of the several belts describ-

ed in the said Regulations of the 14th of October, 1879, hereby rescinded, but who have not obtained entries for their lands, and who may establish a right to purchase such odd-numbered sections or pre-emptions as the case may be, at the price and on the terms respectively fixed for the same by the said regulations.

SALES OF LANDS TO INDIVIDUALS OR CORPORATIONS FOR COLONIZATION.

14. In any case where a company or individual applies for lands to colonize, and is willing to expend capital towards the construction of facilities for communication between such lands and existing settlements, and the Government is satisfied of the good faith and ability of such company or individual to carry out such undertaking, the odd-numbered sections in the case of lands outside of the Canadian Pacific Railway belt, or of the belt of any branch line or lines of the same, may be sold to such company or individual at half price, or one dollar per acre, in cash. In case the lands applied for be situated within the Canadian Pacific Railway belt, the same principle shall apply so far as one half of each even-numbered section is concerned—that is to say, the one-half of each even-numbered section may be sold to the company or individual at the price of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, to be paid in cash. The company or individual will further be protected up to the extent of five hundred dollars, with six per cent. interest thereon till paid, in the case of advances made to families on homesteads under the provisions of section ten of the amendments of the Dominion Lands Act hereinbefore mentioned.

15. In every such transaction it shall be absolutely conditional—

(a) That the company or individual, as the case may be, shall in the case of lands outside of the said Canadian Pacific Railway belt, within three years of the date of the agreement with the Government, place two settlers on each of the odd-numbered sections, and also two on homesteads on each of the even-numbered sections embraced in the scheme of colonization.

(b) That should the land applied for be situated within the Canadian Pacific Railway belt, the company or individual shall, within three years of the date of agreement with the Government, place two settlers on the half of each even-numbered section purchased under the provision contained in paragraph fourteen above, and also one settler upon each of the two quarter sections remaining available for homesteads in such sections.

(c) That on the promoters failing within the period fixed to place the prescribed number of settlers, the Governor in Council may cancel the sale and the privilege of colonization, and resume possession of the lands not settled, or charge the full price of two dollars per acre, or two dollars and fifty cents per acre, as the case may be, for such lands, as may be deemed expedient.

(d) That it be distinctly understood that this policy shall only apply to schemes for colonization of the public lands by emigrants from Great Britain or the European Continent.

PAYMENTS OF LANDS.

22. Payments for public lands, and also for pre-emptions, may be in cash or in scrip, or in police or military bounty warrants, at the option of the purchaser.

23. The above provisions shall not apply to lands valuable for town plots, or to coal or other mineral lands, or to stone or marble quarries, or to lands having water-power thereon; and further shall not, of course, affect sections 11 and 20 in each township, which are public school lands, or sections 8 and 26, which are Hudson's Bay Company's lands.

SECRETARY Drinkwater, of the C.P.R., advertises in Montreal for 300 men to work on the line west of Winnipeg, and says men accustomed to cutting in the bush will be employed all winter at \$1.75 per day. Applications are to be made personally to General Superintendent Stickney in Winnipeg. A special excursion via Grand Trunk left Montreal, October 11th, by which the men came.

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LOCAL.

A MEETING was held at Mr. Lauder's on Monday night to organize an assembly for the ensuing winter.

Rev. Mr. BAIRD will preach Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Mr. McLeod's place, Little Mountain.

PRESBYTERIAN services will be held at 11 a. m. and 6:30 p. m. in McDougall's Hall each Sunday until further notice.

SCARLET fever, in a mild form, has been prevalent for the past week or so in the Rat Creek settlement adjoining Edmonton. It is abating.

SMITH threshed lately for Mr. J. B. Laronde 491 bushels of wheat in an afternoon. He has put through 15,000 bushels of grain up to date.

LAJOREAUX' thresher having finished on the north side of the river at Ft. Saskatchewan has been moved to Sturgeon River. After getting through there it will finish on the barracks side of the Saskatchewan.

SOME discussion having arisen in regard to our criticism of a song given at the social of last Thursday evening, as to whether it was just or not, the question was submitted to arbitration, and it was decided that it was "too severe." We submit to the decision and apologize to the ladies who originated the social.

MR. S. LUCAS, D.L.S., formerly Indian farm instructor at Peace Hills, was in Winnipeg, on his way to Edmonton, in September last, with his family. He had instructions in regard to surveying, but what they were we are unable to say. It is to be hoped that they are to proceed with the much needed land survey.

MR. ANDERSON, timber agent, who arrived last Friday night, had quite a hard trip from Battleford up. His buckboard gave out about sixty miles from Battleford. He then made a sort of cart out of two wheels of it and broke a track in the snow with it for his luggage cart, he and his son walking the balance of the way. Mr. Anderson came to Brandon by the first freight train that ran to that place, and thence to Ellie by boat.

MAS-ONE meeting in McDougall's building on Wednesday evening last to take steps towards organizing a lodge in Edmonton. There were present Messrs. J. A. McDougall, J. Lauder, F. R. Burton, J. A. Belden, R. McLellan, J. H. Stewart, W. Stiff, J. Cameron, P. Helmnick, J. Carnahan, — Osborne. Besides those at the meeting Messrs. F. Wilson, W. L. Wood, Rev. Dr. Newton, R. Bourne, A. Hutchins, T. Hutchins, W. Chamberlayne, J. Peacock, Col. Jarvis, A. Taylor and — Williams belong to the Order.

At a meeting of the committee of management of the Presbyterian church here, held in McDougall's hall on Wednesday evening last, the offers of Mr. C. Stewart and Mr. D. McLeod of the necessary material for fifty chairs each towards seating the hall for church services, were accepted. Tenders for the manufacture of the chairs will be called for. It was resolved to raise \$800 for church expenses for the year ending on the last Wednesday in March next. Messrs. Fraser and McKay were appointed a committee to circulate subscription lists, and it was decided that subscriptions be paid quarterly. The offer of Mr. J. A. McDougall to heat and light the hall for church services at the rate of \$10 per month was accepted.

The following from the Manitoba Free Press applies as well to this district as to Manitoba: "One of the most extensive millers in the Dominion, who had been sent samples of the grain shown at the Provincial exhibition writes his agent thus: 'The Fife wheat is splendid, and just the wheat we want to grind. Next year we must devise some means of getting the farmers to sow it and no other. The next best is the Russian, which is good. The Golden Drop is not a good wheat, and will not make strong flour. The goose wheat is an abomination, and flour ground from it is not better than corn meal; do not allow your buyers to take any of it. Be particular about this. We were in hopes it would never find its way into Manitoba. Do all you can to get the farmers to grow Fife wheat, and pay the price for it when pure.'"

CHURCH MATTERS.

A meeting of the managing committee of the Edmonton Presbyterian Church was held on Saturday evening last in Oliver & McDonald's office. The sub-committee that had been appointed to see about a place of worship reported that they had interviewed Rev. John McDougall in regard to securing the Methodist church, and that the church had been offered to them gratuitously, but that the church would not be rented on any condition. They had also seen Mr. J. A. McDougall in regard to securing his hall. He had offered it at the rate of ten dollars per month, with a subscription of twenty-five dollars towards furnishing.

Mr. D. S. McKay then took the chair, when it was moved and carried that the offer made by the Rev. John McDougall be accepted.

It was also moved and carried that the offer of Mr. McGinn, of lots 83 to 86 inclusive, range four, on the H.B. Co. property, as a building site for the proposed church, be accepted.

It was decided that a collection be taken up each Sabbath for general expenses, and that a subscription list be circulated for the purpose of raising funds for the mission, and also that the present leaders of the choir be asked to lead in psalmody.

A congregational meeting was organized immediately afterwards, with D. S. McKay as chairman.

Meeting was opened with prayer, after which any persons so desiring had their names enrolled on the list as members and adherents.

It was decided that the report of the committee be taken up clause by clause.

It was then moved in amendment to the report of the committee that the offer of Mr. J. A. McDougall, of his hall, be accepted.

It was also moved in amendment and carried that the question of the leaders of the choir stand in abeyance.

A vote of thanks to the Rev. John McDougall, for the offer of the use of the Methodist church, was then carried.

It was decided to hold service at eleven o'clock in the forenoon and at half-past six in the evening, in the hall, each Sabbath.

The meeting then adjourned.

THAT ROAD.

To the Editor of the BULLETIN.

I see in the Saskatchewan Herald of Nov. 12th that the Edmonton correspondent of that paper has telegraphed that the Government had appointed Mr. Kippen to examine the trail I came up on last fall, and that he had found it very unsatisfactory.

Now, Mr. Editor, I'll admit that the trail is not as good as it could be made; but let the correspondent, whoever he is, or the Government, whoever they are, or the public whoever they may be, hire me to open and fix a road for them from Battleford to Edmonton, and pay me for the same, and then if I don't give satisfaction they can accuse and abuse me as much as they have a mind to.

Governor Laird promised to pay me a trifle if I would put a bridge on the Vermillion and Beaver Rivers near the mail route crossing. But as where I crossed the Vermillion, about 70 miles above the mail route crossing, it was only about three feet deep, while it was eight feet at the mail route crossing, I did not think it necessary to go to much trouble in fixing either road or bridge, as I was doing it all on my own responsibility and at my own expense, and any parties who are not satisfied with it are at liberty to go on and improve it to their own satisfaction.

For my part, I am satisfied that a good road can be made there—and the best and straightest road from Battleford to Edmonton—but a single individual cannot do it entirely at his own expense. I would have made a straight road only I left off my best course to come to the mail route on the Beaver River so as to leave my boat there for the benefit of the public, as I was well aware it was necessary to have some conveyance there, and abuse is the only thanks I got for it.

DONALD McLEOD.

MR. E. G. VERRY left Battleford on Friday at noon, coming west.

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EDMONTON BULLETIN, DEC. 3, 1881.

EDMONTON TIMBER AGENCY.

The above agency includes all that part of the North-West north of the boundary line, east of the Rocky Mountains, and west of the third principal meridian, or the 106th meridian west, from the international boundary to the tenth base line, following the tenth base along to the 2nd principal or 102nd meridian west, which forms the remaining part of the western boundary. The agent, Mr. Thos. Anderson, who was lately appointed, will have his office in Edmonton, and sub-agencies at Prince Albert and Battleford, with Mr. Joseph Finlayson, sub-agent at the former, and Mr. P. G. Laurie at the latter place. The present business in these offices will be wound up by the Winnipeg agent, Mr. James Anderson, when full charge will be taken by the Edmonton agent.

For all cases of petty trespass, where persons have cut timber on Dominion lands other than for their own use, Mr. Anderson is instructed to collect dues at the following rates:—Cordwood, fifteen cents per cord; fence posts, a cent a piece; fence rails, \$2.00 per thousand; shingles, sixty cents per thousand, and timber \$2.50 per thousand feet, board measure. The above rates are those already in force. In regard to the petty trespasses above alluded to, Mr. Anderson has advised the Government that, owing to difficulties in the way of collecting the dues, and the fact that the Government is to blame for not having a resident agent here before, it would better not to exact the dues for what has been cut, but to start fresh with a clean sheet, and make all parties toe the mark in the future. It is to be hoped the Government will see the advisability of adopting this suggestion, as it would save a great deal of ill feeling, and the opposite course would not bring a proportionate gain.

New instructions in regard to settlers' timber will be received from Ottawa shortly, and in the meantime no action will be taken in regard to it. It is to be hoped that the new regulations will be of a more liberal character than the old ones.

Saw mills that have cut timber without a license will have to pay for all timber cut at the rate of \$2.50 per thousand, board measure. Hereafter those who wish to cut timber for speculation must procure a license before doing so.

Limits are sold at the rate of \$20 per square mile as bonus, \$2 per square mile as rental, and five per cent. royalty on all timber cut and sold. The only limits taken so far in this district are by Capt. Moore, who has altogether 33 square miles. One limit of ten square miles is at Egg Lake, about twenty miles from here, another of seventeen and a half square miles is on the north side of the Saskatchewan above the mouth of the White

Mud, and the third, ten a half square miles, on the south side of the river just opposite. Applications for limits must be made through Mr. Anderson.

The appointment of a timber agent for the Territories, with residence at Edmonton, has given every satisfaction, as it is in the interest of the people as well as of the Government that the use of timber should be regulated so as to prevent waste. While we do not think the present rates on timber cut for speculation are too great, we wish to say emphatically that nothing short of liberal measures in regard to timber required by actual settlers for the improvement of their claims will be acceptable to the people here.

The Herald says that additional sums of money have been placed to the credit of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor for the payment of school teachers and the improvement of roads, bridges and ferries in the Territories. The good work done in these matters last summer will be largely advanced during the coming season.

MR. L. CLARKE, H.B.Co. Chief Factor at Carlton, and Territorial representative of the District of Lorne, has taken the memorial of the Prince Albert people, in regard to the title to their land, to Ottawa, and will personally present it to the Dominion Government. It would be a good idea for the Edmonton people to get up a similar memorial and send it by the same hand.

Messrs. G. Foulds and H. McEwen, who were here in August last, have returned to Winnipeg. The Free Press gives an account of their trip and says that "Mr. Foulds entertains some doubts as to the freedom of the Edmonton districts from early frosts; he also thinks that Edmonton is a little too far out of the way at present to meet the wants of intending settlers." We own up to the first indictment so far as to admit that in exceptional seasons, such as that just passed, the wheat at Edmonton is liable to be touched with frost, but such seasons are by no means common, and even in the most unfavorable seasons barley and root crops do well. As to the second statement we need only point to the large immigration of the past season and the greatly increased immigration promised for the coming one, to give it ample refutation.

The Globe is a splendid paper and a cheap paper, but lately it appears to have been getting some cheap information in regard to what it calls vast forests of superior pine on the upper waters of the Saskatchewan, and also forests of white oak in the same locality. It also is in trouble because the alleged pine and white oak forests have been gobbled up by speculative friends of the Government who have had private explorations made. We beg to assure the Globe that there are no vast forests of either pine or white oak—more's the pity—in the locality named, and that with the exception of Capt. Moore no person has sent out any exploring party into that part of the country. There are considerable forests of spruce, however, and because they are not of great extent the more care should be taken that if they are sold to speculators the full price should be exacted for them.

Twelve thousand dollars was offered lately for the Kaladar gold mine near Kingston, Ont., but was not accepted.

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